Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—The information that is supplied is that the P. C. R. contractor removed the iron railing. Is this information gathered by the Government during the course of investigation?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The matter was found out during enquiry from the statement of the contractor.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is it a departmental enquiry or a judicial enquiry?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Departmental enquiry.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Who first brought this matter to the notice of the Police Commissioner?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The D. S. P.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Was it not a month or two or a longer period ago?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That is not the only charge against this particular Inspector. So other things have to be looked into before final orders are passed.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—What is the nature of the other charges?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It cannot be given.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Did the D. S. P. bring it to the notice of the Police Commissioner earlier?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—The Police Commissioner wants notice for so many questions.

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—For details I want notice.

Motor accidents.

24. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the number of motor accidents in the State in 1107 and the nature of the accidents; how does this number compare with that of 1105 and 1106?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Statement is appended. (*Vide Appendix XIII*).

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is it on account of increased traffic that such an increase of accidents has taken place?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—May be.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How many buses more are running this year than in 1105?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Notice.

Complaints—Supply of Text Books.

25. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(1) whether there were complaints regarding the supply of text books to students ;

(2) if so, what was the nature of the complaint ;

(3) the exact date on which all the text books were available to students after the schools were opened last after the vacation ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) Yes.

(2) That Kerala Malayalam Readers, Revised Edition, Geography of Form I, and Sanskrit texts for the Lower Secondary Department were not available for sale.

(3) It is not possible to furnish any definite information on the point as no such statistics have hitherto been collected.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know whether there is any agreement between the Government and the supplier of books regarding the date of supply?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There is surely an understanding that the supplier should furnish books by the time the school re-opens. I do not know whether there is any formal agreement.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was any action taken by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have asked the Director of Public Instruction to ask him why he has not done so.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was any explanation received?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We have not yet received any final reply from the Director of Public Instruction.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—With regard to the revised edition did the Government give any previous notice to the publisher or they merely informed him just before re-opening?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I am sorry I want notice.

Panchayats—Judicial powers.

26. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the number and names of Panchayats on which judicial powers were conferred after the present Registrar took charge ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The two Panchayats on which judicial powers were conferred after the Registrar took charge are Nemmara and Ayilur.

Transfer of Head Constables.

27. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state a list of Head Constables who were

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